SENATE BILL 1466

By Bell

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-9-302, relative to crash helmets.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-9-302, is amended by adding the following language as a new subsection thereto:

(c) This section shall not apply to any driver or passenger who is twenty-one (21) years of age or older, and who possesses proof of comprehensive health insurance coverage providing for at least fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) in medical benefits for injuries incurred as a result of a crash. For the purposes of this subsection, proof of comprehensive health insurance coverage includes the declaration page, insurance binder, insurance card, or insurance agreement of an individual, group, blanket or franchise insurance policy, group hospital services contract, health maintenance organization membership, personal injury protection coverage of a motorcycle vehicle policy, or employee benefit plan that provides benefits for health care services or for medical or surgical expenses incurred as a result of an accident. Persons who receive medical assistance pursuant to title 71, part 5, must provide the proof of an additional fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) medical coverage in addition to their title 71, part 5 coverage.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring

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